the reservation for Other Backward Classes cannot be enforced there;

(b) if so, the names of such States; and

(c) as the people belonging to Other Backward Classes remain outside the purview of the reservation facilities owing to the legal barriers, whether Government would come forward to remove these barriers?

THE MINISTER OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MEIRA KUMAR): (a) No, sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) At present, there is no such proposal.

The Parents, Dependents Maintenance Act

2055. SHRI NANDI YELLAIAH: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the "Parents, Dependents Maintenance Act" has been introduced by the Himachal Pradesh Government to ensure that old aged people and dependents are taken care by their children;

(b) if so, whether Government would assure of introducing such an Act through Parliament, based on ever-growing cruelty of neglect of aged parents and dependents by their children, throughout the Nation due to inhuman degradation of moral values; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MEIRA KUMAR): (a) Yes, Sir. The Government of Himachal Pradesh has enacted the Himachal Pradesh Maintenance of Parents and Dependents Act 2001 (Act No. 19 of 2001).

(b) No, Sir.

(c) The Government of India has made sufficient provisions under the Hindu Adoption and Maintenance Act, 1956 and Code of Criminal

Procedure, 1973 to ensure that old aged people and dependents are taken care of by their children.

Funds to organizations for handicapped

†2056. SHRI BHAGWATI SINGH: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the Non-Government and Government Organizations being funded by the Centre for assistance of the handicapped,

(b) the details of the assistance granted, organization-wise and year-wise during the last three years;

(c) whether the said grant is properly reviewed and monitored;

(d) if so, whether the requisite results have been achieved and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the details of C.A.G. Report in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MEIRA KUMAR): (a) and (b) The details of Non-Governmental Organizations in disability sector being funded by the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment and the financial assistance provided to them during the last three years are available on the web-site *http://www.socialjustice.nic.in of this Minist*ry. The details in respect of the organizations of this Ministry working in the disability sector is given in the statement (See below).

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. The requisite results are achieved to a large extent.

(e) There were 14 Audit paras about the organizations of this Ministry in Disability Sector in different Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India during the last 3 years, out of which 7 paras have been settled.

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